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SUBJECT: NEW REPORTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

REF: PEZZULLO-GRAHAM TELCON, 8/LA/77.

1. [REDACTED] LIST OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS
WHICH REPORTEDLY HAVE OCCURRED IN URUGUAY DURING PAST
45 DAYS.

(A) [REDACTED] TABULATES THAT BETWEEN 200-250 NEW ARRESTS
HAVE OCCURRED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AMNESTY HAS PUT TOGETHER
A LIST OF ABOUT ONE HUNDRED NAMES OF NEW POLITICAL PRI-
SONERS, AND IS IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO VERIFY THE
ACCURACY OF THE LIST FROM OTHER SOURCES BEFORE RELEASING
IT.

(B) REPORTS OF RENEWED TORTURE INCLUDE HUMBERTO PASCARFETTA,
AN IMPRISONED TRADE UNION LEADER, WHOSE BODY WAS RETURNED
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TO HIS WIFE AT THE END OF JUNE. A FAMILY REQUESTED AUTOPSY
INDICATED EVIDENCE OF TORTURE. PASCARFETTA HAD BEEN
ORIGINALLY DETAINED BY THE "DIRECTOR DE INTELIGENCIA."

TWO OTHERS REPORTEDLY ARRESTED DURING THE SECOND HALF OF
JULY AND TORTURED, AND STILL ALIVE, ARE J. IGLESIAS AND
ANTONIA PEGINESSI. [REDACTED] MENTIONED ALSO SOME NINE BODIES

FOUND IN THE RIVER PLATE. WITH THE IDENTITY OF ONE
URUGUAYAN TENTATIVELY ESTABLISHED BY A TATOO. THIS
LATTER CORPSE WHOSE NAME FERREIRA DID NOT HAVE, REPORTEDLY
DISAPPEARED SEVERAL WEEKS PREVIOUS TO BEING FOUND IN THE
RIVER.

(C) RECENT ARRESTS INCLUDE LUIS ALBERTO VIERA...
IDENTIFIED AS A WELL-KNOWN PRESENT OR FORMER PROFESSOR
AT THE UNIVERSITY; FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR JUAN AGONA;
UTE EMPLOYEE A. LAVECCHIA; HONORIO LINDER; EDUARDO
PLATERO.

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REPORTEDLY ARRESTED AT THE SAME TIME. THEY ARE ANIBAL
BARBAGELATA, ENRIQUE DARRIGO AND A SR. GUZMAN.

2. WE HAVE NOT, AS YET, RUN A FILE CHECK TO DETERMINE
WHETHER ANY OF THESE CASES WERE REPORTED BY THE EMBASSY.
THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CITE REFERENCES TO SUCH CASES.
A ROUNDUP WOULD BE APPRECIATED ON [REDACTED] DESCRIBED
AS WIDELY CIRCULATED RUMORS AND REPORTS IN MONTEVIDEO
OF THE NEW ARRESTS.

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